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Applicant: D. Foote et al Attorney Docket No.: LAMA122071
Application No.: 10/723,846 Group Art Unit: 3676
Filed: November 26, 2003 Examiner: V.A. Patel
Title: SEAL CONFIGURATION TO REDUCE SEAL EXTRUSION

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 /
PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Seattle, Washington 98101

June 14, 2005

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application, in which prosecution is closed.

- X 1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows:
- X a. Please consider the Amendment/Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously mailed on May 11, 2005.
- b. Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on , which arguments are hereby incorporated by reference.
- c. An Amendment/Response is enclosed herewith.
- d. An Information Disclosure Statement, as well as copies of the cited references, is being filed concurrently herewith.
- X 2. Small entity status is as follows
- X a. Small entity status was previously asserted and continues to be appropriate.
- b. Small entity status is asserted in this matter.
- X 3. Applicant respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the final Office Action, dated February 18, 2005, set to expire on May 18, 2005,

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be extended by 1 month, to expire on June 18, 2005. The enclosed check includes the 1-month extension fee of \$60.00.

 X 4. The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated below.

 X a. No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added.

 b. The enclosed amendment adds claims in excess of the number previously paid for. The claim fees are calculated as shown.

COMPUTATION OF FEE

	Number Filed After Any Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Basic RCE Filing Fee	-	=	x	=	395
Total Claims	1	- 20	= 0	x 25	= 0
Independent Claims	1	- 3	= 0	x 100	= 0
Extension of Time				+ 60	60
TOTAL					\$455

 X 5. Check No. 164226 in the amount of \$455.00, as computed above, is enclosed in payment of the required fees for filing the present request for continued examination.

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6. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this request is enclosed.

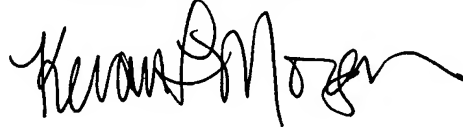
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I hereby certify that this document and the enclosures listed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to **Mail Stop RCE**, the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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